

Remarks

The specification has been amended to overcome the Examiner's objection, by changing all occurrences of the word "dice" to --die--.

Claims 1-4 and 6 have been cancelled.

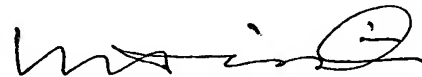
Claims 5 and 7 were rejected as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but were indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 5 and 7 have been rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of claim 1 from which they originally depended, and are now presumably allowable.

Applicant encloses a check in the amount of \$60.00 (Check No. 8361) for payment of the fee for a one-month extension of time. Any additional fee deemed necessary for this response may be charged to deposit account no. 50-0852. A duplicate copy of this page is enclosed.

This application is now believed to be in allowable condition and such action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

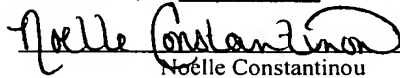
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